

Remarks

Applicant thanks Examiner Basit for the courtesy of a telephonic interview on February 12, 2008 regarding the Office action mailed December 31,2007. Applicant's representative, Robert O. Enyard, Jr., discussed the provisional rejection of pending claims 1-28 under 35 U.S.C. 101 based on Applicant's allowed Application No. 10/064,228. More specifically, Applicant's representative discussed amending the claims of the present application so that they are not coextensive in scope with the claims of allowed Application No. 10/064,228.

By this amendment, claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16 and 21, have been amended as discussed during the interview, and claims 24, 25, and 27 have been cancelled.

As further discussed, Applicant files herewith a terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. 1.321. Since the present application and allowed Application No. 10/064,228 are commonly owned, Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance.

Further, all reasons for patentability of the independent and dependent claims have not necessarily been discussed herein. No implication or construction should be made therefore.

Applicant has no further remarks with regard to any references cited by the Examiner and made of record, whether or not acted upon by the Examiner in the action's rejections, even if specifically identified in the action or any other paper or written or verbal communication. No implication or construction should be drawn about any review of the same by Applicant or Applicant's attorney.

Based on the foregoing, it is submitted that the Applicant's invention as defined by the claims is patentable over the references of record. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

Applicant's attorney welcomes the opportunity to discuss the case with the Examiner in the event that there are any questions or comments regarding the response or the application.

This is intended to be a complete response to the Examiner's Office action mailed on
Office action mailed December 31, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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